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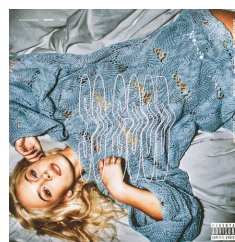


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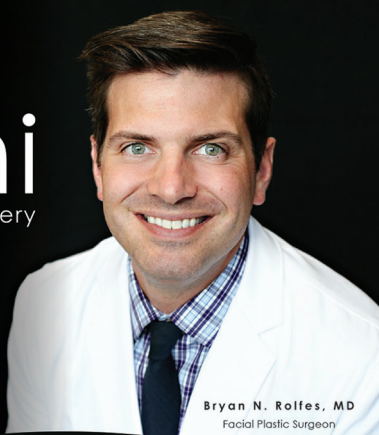
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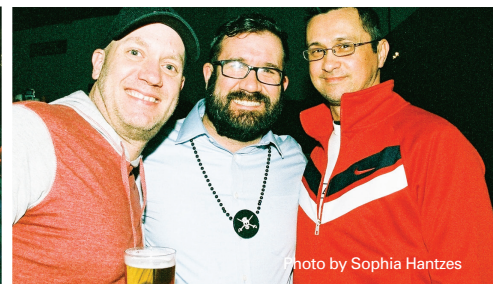
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Theatre in the Round Players
www.theatreintheround.org
March 24–April 16

Ken Ludwig adapted the classic Alexandre Dumas swashbuckler into a stage play for England's prestigious Bristol Old Vic Theater. The codes of manly honor are expressed through Athos, Porthos, Aramis, and young d'Artagnan, whose sister, Sabine, pretends to be a male servant. They nobly unite to defend the queen against the diabolical Cardinal Richelieu.

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MATILDA THE MUSICAL

Orpheum Theatre
www.hennepintheatretrust.org
March 28–April 2

Originated by the prestigious Royal Shakespeare Company, this non-Shakespeare children's fantasy musical based on the book by Roald Dahl won four Tony and seven Olivier Awards. A child prodigy must overcome obstacles at home and a monstrously negative atmosphere at a school run by a tyrannical headmistress.

PAIRING: TRAVAIL KITCHEN & AMUSEMENTS

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TO BEGIN WITH

Hennepin Theatre Trust
at Historic Wesley Center
www.hennepintheatretrust.org
Mar 28–April 15

Charles Dickens epitomizes the very essence of social consciousness. His *To Begin With*, written for his four children as an adaptation of the New Testament gospels, is adapted for stage by Jeffrey Hatcher and stars Gerald Charles Dickens, the actual great-great grandson of Dickens!

The Three Musketeers



Photo by Ron Ravensborg

DARLINGS

Animal Engine
at The Southern Theater
www.southerntheater.org
March 30–April 1

This re-imagining of J.M. Barrie's classic, *Peter Pan*, takes the perspective of Mr. and Mrs. Darling, two parents struggling with the loss of their children. During the day they search for them and at night they tell tales about Neverland with its mermaids and pirates.

TITICUT FOLLIES: THE BALLET

James Sewell Ballet
at The Cowles Center for Dance & the Performing Arts
www.jsballet.org
Mar 31–April 2

A dance performance based on a documentary is not typical. Frederick Wiseman's film about the Bridgewater State Hospital for the criminally insane in Massachusetts is the source. Music by Lenny Pickett. Set by Steven Rydberg. JSB is among the region's great dance companies.

SIDE SHOW

The Chameleon Theatre Circle
at The Black Box Theatre, The Ames Center
www.ames-center.com
March 31–April 23

It's the 1930s when Siamese twins advance their careers from freak show obscurity to vaudeville star status. Based on the true story of Daisy and Violet Hilton, *Side Show* portrays true marginalization. Henry Krieger and Bill Russell's striking songs include "Come Look at the Freaks" and "Typical Girls Next Door."

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Wicked



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April 4-16

The *Romeo and Juliet* story re-imagined in terms of white versus Puerto Rican gangs in 1950s New York. The awesome trio of writer Arthur Laurents, composer Leonard Bernstein, and lyricist Stephen Sondheim lifted musical theater into a new realm of social consciousness with tunes like "Tonight" and "Officer Krupke."

HOLA AREPA

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THE (CURIOUS CASE OF THE) WATSON INTELLIGENCE

Proscenium Stage, Park Square Theatre
www.parksquaretheatre.org

April 7-30

Plays that "time jump" are lots of fun and can re-orient and transform how we look at time. This mystery play honors men and a machine; the sidekick to master detective to Sherlock Holmes, the actual engineer who made Alexander Graham Bell's first telephone, and the computer that became a *Jeopardy*-winning champion.

LONE STAR SPIRITS

The Jungle Theater
www.jungletheater.com

April 8-May 7

When Marley brings her new fiancé to her childhood home in small-town Texas, she finds herself stranded in the past. Hoping for a quick visit to her estranged father's liquor store, she's soon forced to deal with her football hero ex-boyfriend, a single mom insistent on a girls' night out, and the ghost of the town's bear-wrestling pioneer founder.

VIETGONE

Mixed Blood Theatre
www.mixedblood.com

April 10-30

This comedic love story chronicles playwright Qui Nguyen's parents meeting at an Arkansas relocation camp after they fled Vietnam during the fall of Saigon. *Vietgone* blends comic book style, martial arts, and hip-hop. Mixed Blood Theatre holds national significance as a multicultural bastion of play productions with non-Caucasian viewpoints.

PAIRING: QUANG RESTAURANT

Just as theater can tell stories of a culture, so too can food. And while there are certainly plenty of life-changing Vietnamese restaurants throughout the Twin Cities, the indefatigable Quang will always be my go-to. Full of fresh, vibrant, yet soul-warming comfort food, Vietnamese classic Quang is a family tradition.
www.quang-restaurant.com

WICKED

Orpheum Theatre
www.hennepintheatretrust.org

April 12-May 14

A musical that goes on defying gravity! The story of "good witch" Glenda and "bad witch" Elphaba takes place *before* Dorothy's Kansas house was delivered by the cyclone into the Land of Oz. *Wicked*'s brilliant creator Stephen Schwarz (*Godspell*, *Pippin*) made one of the biggest comebacks in American theater history!

The
(curious
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BATTLEFIELD

McGuire Proscenium Stage, Guthrie Theater
www.guthrietheater.org

April 13-23

Four actors and a musician probe the tragic ramifications of a great war between rival members of the same family. A new king discovers he actually killed his half-brother in battle. A crisis of conscience ensues and he calls upon animal fables to get to the root of his despair.

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Yellow Tree Theatre
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April 14–May 14

Francis has two new jobs and two new bosses after being fired from a pop band. English playwright Richard Bean re-imagines the Italian comedy classic *A Servant of Two Masters* by Carlo Goldoni in a fabled beach resort, Brighton, in 1963. Jason Ballweber stars in the James Corden-originated role.

THE SECRET GARDEN

Schneider Theater, Artistry at Bloomington Center for the Arts
www.artistrymn.org
April 15–May 14

Marsha Norman's book and lyric adaptation of Frances Hodgson Burnett's classic children's novel with music by Lucy Simon. It centers on 11-year-old orphan Mary Lennox who lives with her reclusive uncle on his estate. Sadness seems to rule there but Mary's spirit renews the energy. Norman's book won the Tony.

A Year
with Frog
and Toad



Photo by Rob Levine

THE BLUEST EYE

Wurtele Thrust Stage, Guthrie Theater
www.guthrietheater.org
April 15–May 21

Pecola Breedlove, a black girl, comes of age in 1940s Ohio. Met with unfair and cruel attitudes she wishes she had the blue eyes of child star Shirley Temple, thinking that's what stands in her way of being accepted by the white school girls. Based on Toni Morrison's first novel.



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GIRL SHAKES LOOSE: A POWERFUL COMING OF AGE MUSICAL

Penumbra Theatre Company
www.penumbra-theatre.org
April 18–May 14

GIRL is the main character in this world premiere from the nation's pre-eminent African-American theater company. GIRL has played by the rules but, after graduate school, her life still lacks something. What she comes to realize is that she is in search of herself. Created by Zakiyyah Alexander and Imani Uzuri.

A YEAR WITH FROG AND TOAD

Children's Theatre Company
www.childrenstheatre.org
April 18–June 18

A revival of the Children's Theatre smash that was nominated for three Tony Awards including Best Musical. An amphibian odd couple awaken out of hibernation and celebrate their differences. From the popular books by Arnold Lobel. The rest of the cast includes birds, turtles, mice, and an oh-so-slow snail.

THE GREAT DIVIDE: PLAYS FOR A BROKEN NATION

Pillsbury House + Theatre
www.pillsburyhouseandtheatre.org
April 19–30

Pillsbury House + Theatre is known for its inquiry into racial issues. Five new 10-minute plays by local writers comment on divisions within American society. Issues of civil unrest, disquietude over the recent election, and political animosity are considered in these works.

LE PETIT MOULIN

Collide Theatrical
at The Ritz Theater
www.collidetheatrical.org
April 20–May 7

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Illusion Theater
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April 25-30

Simon Wiesenthal was an Austrian Nazi-hunter and Holocaust survivor. In 1970 he exposed that Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky had four former Nazi Party members in his cabinet. Over 1100 Nazi war criminals were brought to trial by the tenacious man known as the "Jewish James Bond."

CANDY BOX

Mathew Janczewski's ARENA DANCES
at The Southern Theater
www.arena-dances.org
April 27-May 6

An eclectic gathering of performances, workshops, and public showings alongside ARENA's full evening work, *Picturing That Day*, ARENA will be sharing some of the immense talent of the Twin Cities dance community by way of some of Janczewski's favorite dance makers and the works of SuperGroup and Robin Stiehm's Dancing People Company.

110 IN THE SHADE

Theatre in the Round Players
www.theatreintheround.org
April 28-May 21

Richard Nash's classic play *The Rainmaker* is the source of this musical by the creators of the Off-Broadway record-breaker *The Fantasticks*. Before there was Starbucks the coffee shop, Starbuck, the supposed Rainmaker, was our culture's common touchstone for the name. He dazzles a lonely young woman on a Texas ranch.

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SWEET LAND, THE MUSICAL

History Theatre
www.historytheatre.com
April 29-May 28

You may know it as the most beloved Minnesota movie ever. But the stage version promises to be something special too. It's the World War I era and Inge's German heritage turns her new neighbors against a match with a bachelor farmer. History Theatre continues to create productions steeped in the rich Minnesota past.

Q-STAGE: NEW WORKS SERIES

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www.tctwentypercent.org
May 5-7

20% Theatre Company Twin Cities has taken note that the term "queer" can mean very different things to different people. For them, it is a term of radical self-definition and can be related to personal gender or sexual identity, history, presentation, artistic approach and/or content. *Q-Stage: New Works Series* presents four new queer works.

WIT

Black Box Theater, Artistry at Bloomington Center for the Arts
www.artistrymn.org
May 6-28

Lesbian playwright Margaret Edson's 1999 Pulitzer Prize for Drama winner is as timely now as it was then. The wonders of the English language and the struggle with ovarian cancer are woven into this moving work. A professor of 17th century poetry and lover of Shakespeare gazes into the abyss.

LA BOHÉME

Minnesota Opera
at Ordway Center for the Performing Arts
www.mnopera.org
May 6-21

Giacomo Puccini's 1896 opera is an emblematic work about life in bohemian subculture. It is actually the inspirational source for the musical, *Rent*. *La Bohème* follows the pursuits of Marcello,

a painter and his attic-mate, Rodolfo, a writer who warms the room by burning a manuscript.

MOM! THE MUSICAL

The Chameleon Theatre Circle
at the Black Box Theatre, The Ames Center
www.ames-center.com
May 11-14

The ideal revival for Mother's Day is a loving tribute to those sacrifices and difficulties that mothers are known for. How do you reason with a toddler having a temper tantrum or what if an upcoming parent-teacher conference causes intense anxiety? Witness the terror and the joy of parenting.



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CHARLES FRANCIS CHAN JR.'S EXOTIC ORIENTAL MURDER MYSTERY

Mu Performing Arts
at the Dowling Studio, Guthrie Theater
www.muperformingarts.org
May 12-28

Playwright Lloyd Suh sparked a theatrical firestorm with the canceled production of his play *Jesus in India*. The prestigious Asian-American performance group, Mu, will present one of Suh's other plays, *Charles Francis Chan Jr.'s Exotic Oriental Murder Mystery*. It is set in 1967 and features a literary hippie named Frank.

RED VELVET

Walking Shadow Theatre Company
at The Southern Theater
www.walkingshadowcompany.org
May 12-28

When 19th century stage superstar, Edmund Kean, collapses on stage, he leaves a London theater without an actor to play Shakespeare's *Othello*. African-American actor Ira Aldridge is invited to take the role and the public is rioting in the streets for the abolition of slavery. High drama indeed!

AMY'S VIEW

Proscenium Stage, Park Square Theatre
www.parksquaretheatre.org
May 12-June 4

British playwright David Hare (*Plenty*, *Racing Demon*) wrestles with topical issues. In this 1997

Amy's
View



Photo by Petronella J. Ytsma

drama, he looks into pop culture, theater, and an investment scandal. *Amy's View* is set in the controversial era when Margaret Thatcher was Prime Minister. Featuring Tracey Maloney and Linda Kelsey as Amy and her mother.

REFUGIA

The Moving Company
at the McCuire Proscenium Stage, Guthrie Theater
www.guthrietheater.org
May 13-June 11

Core members of the former Theatre de la Jeune Leune look into the lives of displaced people. Interconnected chapters, music, very physical movement, and video are part of this world premiere production that will be both cinematic and theatrical. Theatre de la Jeune (1978-2008) was one of Minneapolis's three Tony-winning theaters.

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BROADWAY SONGBOOK: HOLLYWOOD AND BROADWAY

Ordway Center for the Performing Arts
www.ordway.org
May 14-21

Broadway has been a source for some of the greatest movies ever, like *The Sound of Music* and *West Side Story*. In recent decades Broadway has also returned the favor with stage musical versions of non-musical film hits: *The Color Purple*, *Legally Blonde*, *Kinky Boots*. Here's a song showcase for both!

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UP: THE MAN IN THE FLYING CHAIR

Theatre Pro Rata
at Andy Boss Thrust Stage, Park Square Theatre
www.parksquaretheatre.org
May 24-June 11

Faded memories can still cling to us or we to them. A man attaches 45 helium-filled weather balloons to a lawn chair and finds himself floating above it all at 16,000 feet. He holds onto his dreams with great intensity wanting to make sure his feet never touch the ground!

PIKE ST.

Pillsbury House + Theatre
www.pillsburyhouseandtheatre.org
May 31-June 18

Nilaja Sun is the OBIE-winning playwright of *No Child* which played at Pillsbury House featuring Sonja Parks for that first local staging. Now Sun herself comes to PHT for another solo show. *Pike St.* depicts three generations of a Puerto Rican family. The setting is Manhattan before a hurricane.



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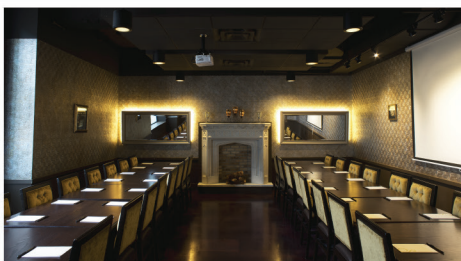


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ARCADIA

The Chameleon Theatre Circle
at the **Black Box Theatre, The Ames Center**
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June 2-11

Two stories overlap in the same room almost two centuries apart. For those who have lived in old buildings this will especially intrigue, as you have to have wondered who lived there and what happened before you, even long before you. Considered by many to be Tom Stoppard's best play.

PRIVATE LIVES

Theatre in the Round Players
www.theatreintheround.org
June 2-25

Gay playwright extraordinaire Noel Coward is unsurpassed for sophisticated wit in 20th century theater. When a divorced couple re-marry they find themselves in adjacent honeymoon suites with their new spouses. This triggers a new round of conflict between the two. Did you know that Coward trained with Ian Fleming as a secret agent?

RENT

Orpheum Theatre
www.hennepintheatretrust.org
June 6-11

The landmark musical that weaves queer identity, addiction, race, and housing stratification into a pop score that contains some of the great songs of contemporary musical theater like "Seasons of



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Love" and "Light My Candle." Creator Jonathan Larson won three Tony Awards and the Pulitzer Prize for Drama posthumously for *Rent*.

FLY BY NIGHT: A NEW MUSICAL

The Jungle Theater
www.jungletheater.com
June 10-July 23

A melancholy sandwich maker and aspiring musician gets caught between two captivating sisters who have recently moved to the Big Apple from South Dakota. Set against the East Coast blackout of 1965, *Fly By Night* was an Off-Broadway sensation nominated for the 2015 Drama Desk Award – Best Musical.

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GHOST THE MUSICAL

Old Log Theater
www.oldlog.com
June 10-Oct. 23

Oscar-winner Bruce Joel Rubin adapted his screenplay to the film, *Ghost*, into a remarkable stage musical. When Sam dies he is caught between two worlds. Therefore, this musical lives between the physical and the metaphysical. When his beloved Molly is in danger he turns to a psychic to save her.

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Might as
Well be Dead:
A Nero Wolfe
Mystery

AN AMERICAN IN PARIS

Ordway Center for the Performing Arts
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June 13-18

Gay master playwright Craig Lucas wrote the book for the new Tony-winning musical version of the 1951 Best Picture Oscar-winner. You'll experience the phenomenal music of George Gershwin and get a vivid sense of Paris at its romantically mysterious best after the ravages of World War II.

MIGHT AS WELL BE DEAD: A NERO WOLFE MYSTERY

Proscenium Stage, Park Square Theatre
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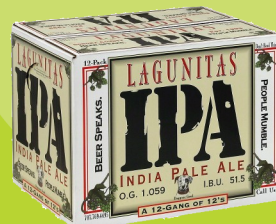
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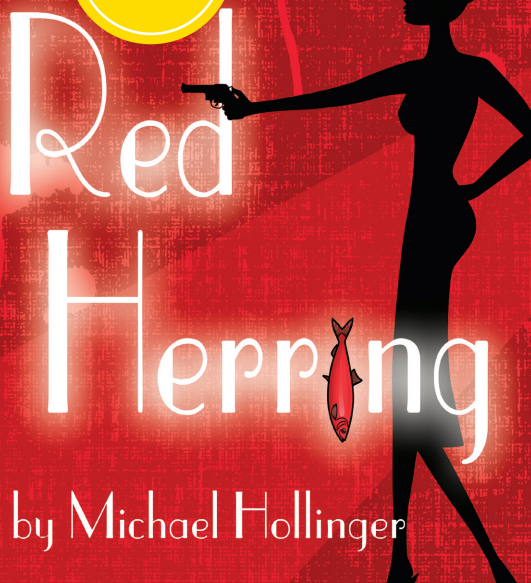


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IDIOT'S DELIGHT

Girl Friday Productions
at Andy Boss Thrust Stage, Park Square Theatre
www.parksquaretheatre.org
June 29-July 23

Girl Friday Productions is known for its vivid



Photo by Joan Marcus

realizations of American classic drama presented every two years. This summer you can see a rarely done piece that is possibly the most eagerly awaited production of the year. Winner of the 1936 Pulitzer Prize for Drama, Robert Sherwood's *Idiot's Delight*.

THE NEW GRIOTS FESTIVAL

Dowling Studio, Guthrie Theater
www.guthrietheater.org
July 6-16

Ten emerging black artists are featured in this festival steered by three lead producers: director-playwright Jamil Jude, actress Jamaica Meyer, and playwright Josh Wilder. Free community classes will also be offered. Part of the Guthrie's Level Nine Series "devoted to community dialogue about today's most significant topics and questions."

{ RESTAURANT PAIRING }

GLENSHEEN

History Theatre
www.historytheatre.com
July 6-30

Jeffrey Hatcher and Chan Poling's terrific true story musical about a Duluth heiress who was mysteriously murdered. The Congdon family tragedy was a sensationalized nightmare in 1977. Speculation ranged from robbery to conspiracy. And it was most definitely a scandal! Was the historic Glensheen mansion the setting of murder most foul?

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NATIVE GARDENS

McGuire Proscenium Stage, Guthrie Theater
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July 15-Aug. 20

Playwright Karen Zacarias deals with two couples and the fence between their properties. A Washington D.C. couple have a gorgeous English garden.



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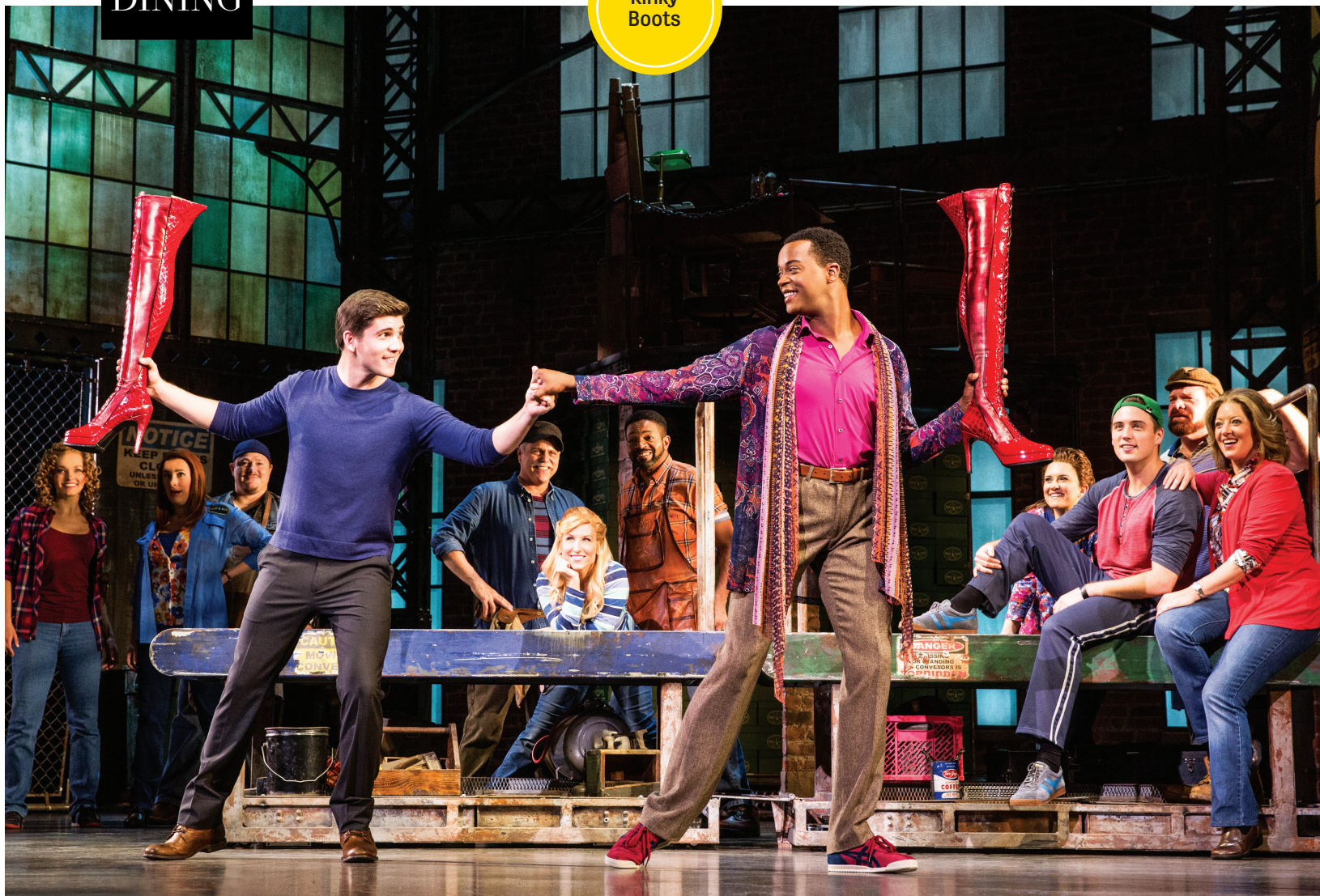


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A barbecue hosted next door turns into a border dispute that reveals profound differences between those involved. Zacarias was the first playwright in residence at Washington's esteemed Arena Stage.

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR

Ordway Center for the Performing Arts

www.ordway.org

July 18-23

Composer Andrew Lloyd Weber and lyricist Tim Rice rocked the world with their rock opera about the final days of Jesus Christ. When it first opened in 1970 it was charged with being blasphemous and anti-Semitic. Two classic tunes: "Everything's Alright" and "I Don't Know How to Love Him."

THE HOLLER SESSIONS

Dowling Studio, Guthrie Theater

www.guthrietheater.org

Aug. 4-20

A Kansas City DJ broadcasts from a humble studio. His passion for the uniquely American art form of jazz is celebrated along with scathing com-

ments, extended riffs, and scatological humor. Written by Frank Boyd in collaboration with THE TEAM (*Roosevelt*), a Brooklyn-based troupe that inquires into roots of American culture.

{ RESTAURANT PAIRING }

IMMIGRANT JOURNEY PROJECT

Mu Performing Arts

at Bedlam Lowertown

www.muperformingarts.org

Aug. 4-20

Masanari Kawahari, who gave a great performance in the Jungle's *The Oldest Boy* using a puppet and his physical body, creates a new project about the 21st century immigrant experience. Mu is the region's flagship Asian-American theater performance company and some of their excellent core actors will play cameo roles.

PAIRING: ZEN BOX IZAKAYA

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Ordway Center for the Performing Arts

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Aug. 8-13

Cyndi Lauper and Harvey Fierstein showed themselves to be a marvelous creative duo with this vibrant musical story of a family shoe business shifting its paradigm. A small English town has its set ways shattered when the fabulous stiletto-heeled performer, Lola, guides everyone into new potentials for prosperity. ■

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Mr. Twin Cities Leather 2017

This year's Mr. Twin Cities Leather 2017 weekend, sponsored by Twin Cities Leather & Latte, was held at The Saloon from Friday, Feb. 14, to Sunday, Feb. 16. At least for your humble columnist, the unplanned thread running through the weekend's events was the powerful and inspired photographic images of our community created by two talented photographers.

The first of those photographers was Ryan Coit, who was awarded the Mr. Twin Cities Leather 2017 title on Saturday evening, Feb. 15. Other contestants competing for the title were Steve Parker, Cerberus and Pup Buster, all of whom represented themselves well onstage and during the weekend's events.

Friday evening's Meet & Greet was followed by SpANK, a special leather edition of The Saloon's popular Tank night. Saturday afternoon was devoted to Kink U educational events presented by the Titans of the Midwest: a panel discussion on leather, kink, and recovery, followed by classes on ageplay; humiliation, degradation, and objectification; gender fucking; and cupping.

Saturday evening's contest show featured some amazing and entertaining talent presentations by the contestants. Cerberus did some leather stand-up comedy; in a Muppet-themed performance, Pup Buster, playing Miss Piggy, read from 50 Shades of Grey and then topped Kermit the Frog, who was played by Eric "Pup Omega" Stafford, Mr. Minneapolis Eagle 2017; and Steve Parker played an insatiable power bottom in a scene with Sir Roman, Mr. Minnesota Leather Sir 2016.

Coit's entry in the talent portion of the contest broke one of my cardinal rules for leather fantasy performances: Keep the focus on the contestant, not on the other people appearing in the fantasy. But in his talent performance Coit, playing the part of a photographer, ignored this rule by focusing the audience's attention on the people he was photographing instead of on himself. The models were front and center in the bright stage lights, striking fabulous poses, while Coit stayed in the shadows, often with his back to the audience.

Each of the models Coit photographed ended their segment onstage by holding up a sign with a statement: "I am buck tooth beautiful," "I am big/I am beautiful," "I am trans leather woman/I am beautiful," "I am trans leather man/I am beautiful," "I am Justin/I am beautiful," and finally Coit held up his own sign: "I am a proud gay artist and leather man/ I am beautiful." I thought the performance was deeply moving, and at its conclusion I saw several of the judges wiping tears from their eyes.

Coit, a photographer, coincidentally had an exhibition of his photographic work hanging on the walls of The Saloon at the time he was sashed. Visit coitphotography.com to see his photographic portfolio.

Andrew Bertke, recipient of this year's Robert "Bobbie" Smith Community First! Award, is flanked by Twin Cities Leather & Latte co-owners Karri Plowman and Tynan Fox. Photo by Steve Lenius.

In another coincidence, another notable photographer was honored at Sunday's Victory

Brunch. At the brunch, which was catered by The Nicollet Diner, the co-owners of Twin Cities Leather & Latte, Karri Plowman and Tynan Fox, presented the Robert "Bobbie" Smith Community First! Award to Andrew Bertke. The award recognized Bertke's many years of "ongoing contributions to the leather community" with a variety of organizations in a variety of capacities. Last year Bertke was honored with the Pantheon of Leather's Midwest Regional Award and with a Lavender Magazine Community Award. Bertke was given a Minnesota-nice "roasting" by fellow Atons members Karri Plowman, Bobbie Smith, your humble columnist and Sam Carlisle. Visit everettallenphotography.com to see Bertke's photography portfolio.

Judges for the weekend were Brett Baldwin, Oklahoma Mr. Leather 2016; Tink Harvey, Ms Iowa Leather 2016; Erick Joseph, International Mr. BootBlack 2016; Syn Palmer, Women's International Leather Legacy 2016; David Saban, Israel Mr. Leather 2015; Mark Nelson, Mr. Nebraska Leather 2016; Eric Alden, Mr. New England Leather 2016; and Steven Patton, Mr. Twin Cities Leather 2015. The weekend's emcees were Karri Plowman and drag artist Camille Collins. Tallymasters were Michael Kramer and, from Chicago, Dean Ogren.

As Mr. Twin Cities Leather 2017, Coit will represent Twin Cities Leather & Latte and Minnesota's leather community in the 39th annual International Mr. Leather competition (www.imrl.com), May 25–29, 2017 (Memorial Day weekend), in Chicago. ■



Contestants for Mr. Twin Cities Leather 2017, left to right: Pup Buster; Cerberus; Ryan Coit, Mr. Twin Cities Leather 2017; and Steve Parker.



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A TROUPE OF LOCAL ACTORS TAKE GHOULISH DELIGHT IN REVIVING DEAD RADIO PLAYS

By Terrance Grieb

Return with us now to those thrilling days of yesteryear!

This invitation was extended to the Greatest Generation as it indulged in that era's high-tech, sound-based entertainment: radio. In those golden days of yore, whole families clustered and sat and stared hypnotically into the new-fangled contraption's inverted wooden face as if it were a campfire, surrendering themselves to the story of a masked cowboy and his faithful companion, or a married couple whose zany union was composed of hilarious lies and recalcitrant mix-ups, or a criminal crime fighter who was as invisible to his enemies as he was to his listeners.

But every era ends.

As the 1950s melted into myth and history, radio drama as an artform went the way of the dodo (or seemed to) but the dawning of another era's high-tech, sound-based entertainment, this one known as “podcasts,” has saved these old stories from the outer edge of extinction, thanks in no small part to the crew at Ghoulish Delights.

“Ghoulish Delights is my theater company, and I work with Joshua English Scrimshaw and Eric Webster,” explains Tim Uren, a Twin Cities-based actor, director, and playwright. According to its website, Ghoulish Delights (www.ghoulishdelights.com) is “dedicated to staging tales of horror and suspense.”

Ghoulish Delights began its undead existence as a podcast dedicated to salvaging Golden Age radio plays, and that dedication has evolved into live performances in front of a live audience via a series of presentations appropriately known as the Mysterious Old Radio Listening Society. But radio's younger cousin decides which scripts will be performed in front of a modern, interactive assembly.

“When we started the podcast, we wanted our conversations to have a structure, and of whether or not an episode ‘stands the test of time’ was chosen as a way to frame our comments,” Uren remembers. “It's also a way to inherently say to anyone who is new to the genre that it's okay to be put off by aspects of an episode that are dated or quaint.”

The novelty of these limbo-living scripts is a double-edged sword of sorts. “Writing and performing styles are typically very different now than they were,” Uren observes. “Technology and cultural references can lose their punch after a few decades. That can all be an obstacle to enjoying these stories, but it's our belief that many of these broadcasts still deliver a powerful experience despite these obstacles.”

Once a script has been approved for the patented Ghoulish Delights treatment, the cast takes the elevated stage at the James J. Hill Center,



Photo by Joe Weismann

sharing the space with a confounding menagerie of Rube Goldberg-esque equipment as varied as a vacuum pipe, a pair of shoes, a box of matches, and an inverted bicycle. A desperate dance of necessity perpetrated by the actors between lines turns these implements into unlikely sound effects generators, and those crafted noises garnish the extant performance.

“We've become sensitive to each sound we make during the show,” Uren assures. “Picking up and putting down props that we use for sound effects can make unintended noises.

Since we're asking the audience to focus only on what they hear, we really try to avoid those sorts of bumps and clanks.”

It's the characters, however, who tell the story, thanks to the life lent to them by the actors, and the interaction between the actors, the characters, and the audience can be specific to this kind of performance. “It was a little off-putting the first time we noticed audience members closing their eyes during the show,” says Uren, recounting how some members of the audience choose to let their fancies do the walking during the live shows. “We were afraid folks were dozing off. Obviously we figured it out, but there was definitely a moment of panic for each of us.”

The appeal of the performances, for audience and actors alike, is the product of an unlikely alchemy. “It's a mix of the immediacy of live performance combined with the audience engagement of audio's ‘theater of the mind,’” Uren reckons. “It isn't surprising that this kind of collaborative storytelling produces such devoted fans. The story isn't complete until it's actually in the audience's heads and they add all the visual elements with their own imaginations. And with the live version of the show, fans can share their experience with others.” Just like the radio experience of olde.

Ultimately, returning to the thrilling days of yesteryear looks an awful lot like traveling into the future. “Recently, audio storytelling is experiencing a resurgence and we're excited about the new interest in an art form we love,” Uren sums up. “We aspire to connect modern listeners to a time when this form was at a peak and to provide facts and background about that era. We also aim to celebrate these classic (and some not-so-classic) shows with those longtime fans who have loved these shows for decades. We are unapologetic old radio nerds with wildly infectious enthusiasm for the shows we love.” ■

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Rainbow families have some swagger to them. It is an extension of who we are. Watch in June during Twin Cities Pride, or at any arts event where families gather together. This includes families with pets too!

All of this sounds like the Toyota Sienna is a match made in heaven for us!

The Sienna has seen its share of swagger, but it has also been passed up for some even more enticing minivans. We already covered the Kia Sedona and Chrysler Pacifica, two minivans that have advanced design and convenience to new levels. The Honda Odyssey we reviewed a couple of years ago showed up with a vacuum cleaner on board. That's swagger that is off the scale!

But, the Sienna has been known as a minivan that holds its own, even in the face of new competitors and unique features on other models. Our 2017 Limited Platinum AWD model is proof of that.

But, does it really have the swagger?

From the outside, it might seem just plain and utilitarian. Once you select through the order sheet, that point becomes moot. Some models offer more swagger than others. The SE offers a mesh grille with some blackout accents, while the Limited (the model we are testing here) shows off a little “bling.”

The basic design is highly functional and pretty attractive. The doors open extremely wide, but the tailgate opens to cut off some standing height for tall people. There had been some enhancements over time, including inclusion of LED running lights for top tier models. On this Limited tester, 18-inch alloy wheels finish off the upmarket look of this minivan.

Step inside to a vast expanse of space for seven passengers. The front seats are big, providing decent lumbar and cushion support. On the Limited, the second row seats are separate and adjustable for recline and rake. Access to the third row is done with a lever on the lower side, enabling the cushion to fold up to the backrest, then slide away toward the front for the third-row seats. All three rows of seats offer plenty of comfort for all sorts of journeys.

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New for 2017 is a complete update on the entire driveline. First off, the 3.5-liter engine has been updated to now provide 296 horsepower and 263 pound-feet of torque. Then, Toyota installed its all-new eight-speed automatic transmission, designed to deliver improved fuel economy than before. Our tester was offered with a unique feature: all-wheel drive. Only Toyota offers AWD on a minivan these days, and it's a good system delivering power when traction is necessary. The drivetrain is also powerful, with smooth shifts from the transmission and solid response from the accelerator pedal.

This setup also offers a 3,500-pound towing capacity. While driving 4,500 pounds worth of minivan, the Sienna did turn an average of 19.8 MPG in our care.

The ride quality is quite good in the Sienna. It is expected for a big family hauler to have a very supple and smooth ride, it is even better when it works hard to absorb potholes and other road imperfections along the way. This minivan is very smooth through the curves, too. The 4,500-pound vehicle only leans a tad and offers balanced handling through and through.

Steering operation is solid with a tight turning radius for a minivan, which means making tough turns easier. It is easy to direct and quick when making the turns. Braking is decent, with solid distances in normal and panic stops. Active safety features on this Sienna include blind spot monitoring, rear-view camera and parking sensors.

Pricing for the Sienna starts at \$29,750 for a front-drive L model. This Limited Platinum AWD tester resides on the complete opposite end of the pricing spectrum, coming in with a sticker price of \$49,079.

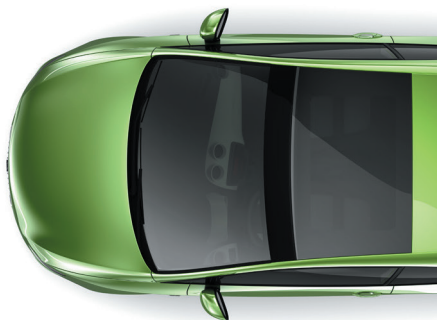
In the minivan business, finding a clear choice for a family conveyance is based on which features one would want. Rather, how one approaches driving it. Among the ones out in the market, the Toyota Sienna offers a straightforward, no-nonsense approach to everything. It is also quite a good driving minivan, too!

But, what that does that say for the state of the minivan for rainbow families? Being straightforward and no-nonsense could mean that it is devoid of “swagger.” On the contrary. Considering the right trim level and equipment on board, the Toyota Sienna has enough swagger for the family to arrive safely, securely, and in a good mood, even when they come home from a full day at the museum or a night out at a fantastic restaurant. ■



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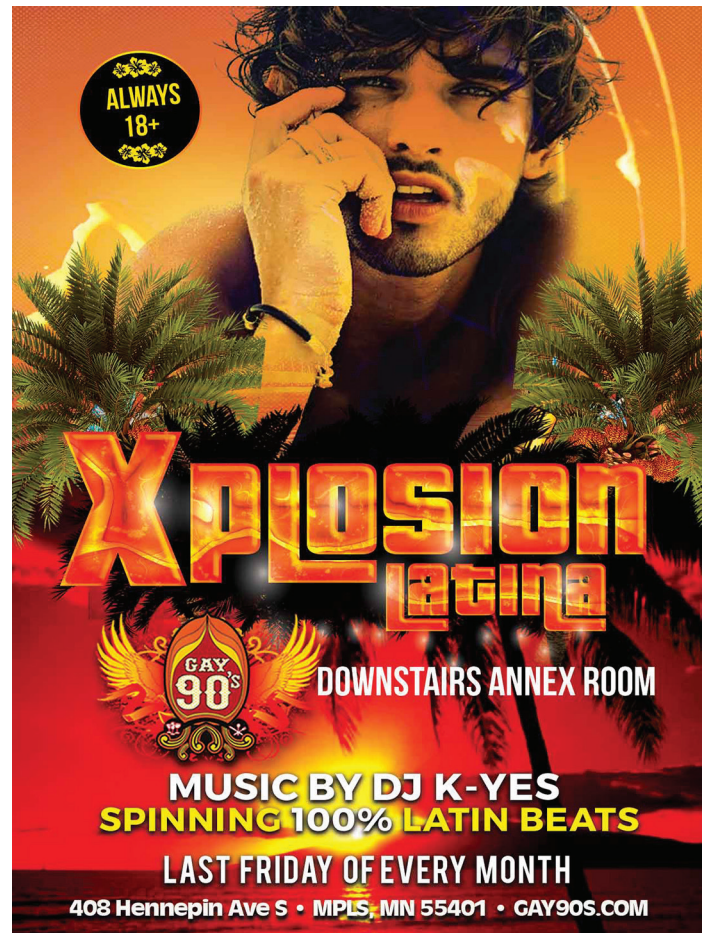
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